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In re Application for:

Luke E. Girard

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PROTECTED MESSAGING**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments set forth below and consideration of the remarks that follow.